

C. O. D.

The codfish lays a million eggs
While the faithful hen lays one;
But the codfish doesn't cackle
To inform us what she's done.
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SUFFRAGE HAS GAINED NOTHING.

Editor Courier: Referring to an editorial statement in Des Moines Register March 7 concerning gains for suffrage, permit me to say that statutory suffrage laws enacted in N. Dakota, Indiana and Ohio were adopted by legislatures which believed them unconstitutional, but desired to transfer to the courts the responsibility for denying the demands of the suffragists.

The filing of referendum petitions in Ohio and North Dakota will have the effect of suspending the statutory suffrage laws in these states until the general election in 1918, when the people will vote on them unless the courts meanwhile nullify them for want of constitutionality. The people of North Dakota defeated woman suffrage in 1914 by a 9-11 majority. Ohio defeated it in 1901 by 57,455 and in 1914 by 182,045 majority.

By the constitution of Ohio, the suffrage is limited to male citizens twenty years of age and over. The constitution of North Dakota provides that every such citizen, with certain exceptions, shall be deemed a qualified voter that women may vote for school officers and that there shall be no extension of the suffrage except by vote of the people at a general election.

The constitution of Indiana provides that "in all elections not otherwise provided for under this constitution every male citizen shall be entitled to vote."

In *Holden v. Gougar vs. Timberlake vs. Indiana* Supreme, this excludes women from the ballot box and that the federal government under its present constitution may not authorize any woman to vote in any state for president. The power to say who shall vote belongs to the state, subject only to the limitation of the federal constitution that there shall be no discrimination on account of race, color or previous condition of servitude.

It will thus be seen that the legislatures of Ohio, Indiana and North Dakota have not imposed the franchise on women, but have merely left it to the courts to say that under the constitutions of these states they are protected against service at the ballot box. Chas. McLean.
Des Moines, March 13, 1917.

FAIRFIELD HAS A BUILDING BOOM

Fairfield, March 19.—The high cost living seemingly has no terrors to people of Fairfield, the contractors and carpenters are listened to for a few minutes. In fact Fairfield has but awakened to her great opportunities and is going to be the busiest city of the size in the state this year. New buildings of all kinds are being contracted for and an unusually large number of business buildings and homes will be erected. There is already under course of erection or contract the following buildings:

The Lyon lumber yards, corner of Broadway and Third streets.
The First Church of Christ Scientist, West Washington street.
Towa State Savings bank building, corner of Broadway and Court.
The Cox garage, corner of Briggs and Main streets.
The Shannon residence on Highland

TWO JUDGES KEEPING BUSY

HUNTER AND CORNELL BOTH FIND ACTIONS TO BE HEARD IN VACATION PERIOD.

After finishing one of the busiest district court terms in the history of the county on Saturday work began stronger than ever today for there have been two divisions in session. Judge Francis M. Hunter, who finished his regular ten weeks' session Saturday, was in court again this morning to take up some motions and petitions. Judge Seneca Cornell who, next Monday will begin his regular ten weeks' term here, has been hearing a motion for a new trial in the E. H. Emery & Co. cases. Senator Whitmore here from Des Moines in connection with this action.

The final reports in the estates of Flora Newell and Simon Frazer have been approved by the court. In the case of Lovenberg and Coen vs. Henry Phillips, the writ of error has been dismissed because the court held that the evidence of its contents was insufficient to base a finding and order. The defendant is to pay the costs.

STARTS SUIT FOR WARNING OTHERS

St. Louis, March 19.—With the avowed intention of teaching all men that they must not take young married women on trips, or induce young women to leave their husbands, and to "guard the sanctity of the home against marauders," F. D. Asbury, a traveling salesman of Kansas City has sued Frank B. Wyeth of the Warwick hotel for \$20,000 damages for alleged alienation of the affections of his wife, Maye C. Asbury.

Asbury's petition charges that Wyeth introduced himself to Mrs. Asbury last September and represented his business and social position to her in an attractive manner, took her for automobile rides, promised her lavish gifts and met her secretly, until he caused her to forget her husband and the duty she owed him. Wyeth is said to be forty-five years old and Mrs. Asbury twenty-seven. Asbury asks \$10,000 actual damages because he has been deprived of his wife's society. She left him December 22. He also asks \$10,000 punitive damages, to "punish the defendant and serve as a wholesome warning to him."

TRACTOR RACE IS VERY LATEST THING

Ames, March 19.—There's something new under the sun. It's a tractor race, and it was designed and pulled off by the agricultural engineering students at Iowa State college as one feature on the big St. Patrick's day celebration and fifty-fifth anniversary of the formal opening of the engineering division at Ames.

Six tractors, ranging from the twinx to the jitney type, breasted the tapus for the signal. At the foot of the whistle six overalled, grimy "chauffeurs" opened the throttles on their "lizzies" and let 'em travel full speed ahead over the half-mile course, measured off on the old athletic field. E. L. Morris, of Ames won first and J. L. Ahart, Dow City, second.

School was closed Friday afternoon at Ames to allow the students and visitors a half-day holiday in which to view the complete outlay of the engineering division of the college on exhibit at their open house. The total equipment and buildings of the division represents an investment approximating three quarters of a million of dollars.

PRIEST IS LIBERAL IN HELPING TOWN

Imogene, March 19.—The city council met and discussed the waterworks question. Rev. Father Hays was present and informed the council that he would donate \$3,000 toward the building of the water works and would donate \$2,000 more for a woman's rest room and public library. Both propositions were accepted. Father Hays had previously given liberally toward securing electric light for the town and is busy looking after the completion of a \$50,000 church.

PARK OWNER DIES

Iowa City, March 19.—Joseph C. Wray, a pioneer of North Liberty, age 71, is dead at his lifelong home there. He was the son of Former Supervisor Carson B. Wray, one of Johnson county's 1840 pioneers, and was the owner of 500 acres along the Inturbinan embracing the Midriver park. His brother and two sisters survive.

PIONEER MAN ANSWERS CALL

PHILIP H. EHREMANN DIES AFTER SUFFERING AN APOPLETIC STROKE.

Philip Henry Ehrmann died at the family home, 130 South Elm street, at 5:10 o'clock Sunday evening after a short illness.

He was born August 17, 1842 in Germersheim am Rhein, Germany. His parents died when he was a little boy and then he made his home with relatives. While learning his trade he went to the City Boppard am Rhein. There he met Margaret Goeckus who became his wife April 14, 1880. They lived in Paris for two years and after that in several different parts of Germany. On May 30, 1890 Mr. Ehrmann came to America and a few months later was joined by his wife and their four children.

They came to Ottumwa and have made their home here since. Several more children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Ehrmann but two died in infancy. Of the four, who came with their parents from Germany, the oldest, Friederika, who became the wife of Thomas Reinsnyder, preceded her father in death.

Mr. Ehrmann worked at the old Ruffer Works for many years and later went into business for himself as a lock and gunsmith. He was in good health until the last few years. During the past winter he has been a sufferer and last Saturday morning he was stricken with apoplexy and remained unconscious until his death Sunday.

He is survived by his widow, one son August of Pueblo, Colo., and four daughters, Mrs. E. C. Edmondson, Mrs. W. W. Findlay, Mrs. H. Mowrey and Miss Mathilda Ehrmann all Ottumwa. The funeral services are to be held Tuesday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock in the home and at 2 o'clock in the German Lutheran church. Rev. George C. Hansler will be in charge and interment will follow in Ottumwa cemetery.

AGENCY.

C. F. Mason has been spending the week in Chicago.

Mrs. Scott Foster and son Carroll of Elion are visiting at the J. D. Newell home.

Rev. Cox has returned from Ormanville where he has been holding meetings for the past ten days.

Mrs. Emma Wilson of Lincoln, Neb., is visiting at the Wm. Foulke home.

The last number of the lecture course will be held Tuesday March 20. The entertainment will be given by the Strang-Coleman entertainers.

Ruby McBride of Cedar Rapids is visiting at the parental T. B. McBride home.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford McGuire have returned from a visit in Des Moines.

Mrs. Bandel of Bloomfield is visiting at the home of her son O. C. Bandel.

A. C. Seifert is on the sick list this week.

Quite a number from here attended the show "Ramona" in Ottumwa Saturday.

Donald and Dorothy Yeager spent Saturday and Sunday at the home of their grandparents near Bladenburg.

Delcie McReynolds and Faye Davis are out of school on account of the mumps.

A musical will be given by the members of the high school Friday evening. The Ladies' Aid society of the M. E. church will be entertained Tuesday p. m. at the home of Mrs. J. D. Newell.

\$500 PAY INCOME TAX

Sioux City, March 19.—Men of wealth are multiplying at a rapid rate in Sioux City. This is shown by the income tax reports. Over 500 Sioux City people have paid Uncle Sam an assessment on their wealth this year, double the number which paid tax on incomes in 1916.

MAIL BAGS RIFLED.

New York, March 19.—Twenty-six bags of mail addressed to Washington and the British embassy at Washington were found to have been rifled on board the Cunard liner Saxonia upon her arrival here today.

PROMINENT MEN TO BE GIVEN DEGREE

Des Moines, March 19.—Clifford Thorne, former state railroad commissioner and E. S. Gose, deputy auditor of state, are two prominent members of a class of nearly 200 candidates who will be raised to the thirty-second degree in masonry by Des Moines consistory at the session scheduled for March 20 to 23.

This class will be the largest which has ever taken the Masonic degrees. A year or so ago when there were 100 in the class, a new record was made, which, it was thought would stand for years. The new record soon will be reality.

REPORT SHOWS COUNTY WORK

FIFTEENTH FINANCIAL STATEMENT COMPILED BY AUDITOR IS COMPLETE.

The fifteenth annual financial report of Wapello county has been compiled by Auditor Fred Bissell and copies of it are now ready for free distribution at his office.

Bound in a neat booklet of thirty-six pages the expenditures for the year of 1916 are in a concise form, obtainable for any purpose. The reports of the county officers, tables of clerks, trustees and other township officers follow with a booster write up of Ottumwa and vicinity.

The total amount of warrants, drawn January 1, 1917, on the general fund was \$51,956.87. The general election expense was \$3,642.80.

The district court expense for the year was \$24,184.53. This includes items from the county attorney, the sheriff and clerk. Witnesses in court cases cost the county \$1,493.51 and jurors \$10,366.10 in addition to the \$322.55 for their meals. The coroner spent \$550.73, \$280.62 of which was for fees. The grand jury cost \$1,020.43 and the justice courts, \$7,266.09.

Bridges and culverts, labor and material, repairs and an auto truck amounted to \$81,055.23 and \$14,188.49 was spent on the county home. On the poor, outside of the home, \$28,555.45 was spent. In sane and inebriate expense amounted to \$744.63.

The comparison table shows the county's indebtedness to be \$498,185.27 on January 1, 1917 an increase of \$256,037.64 in the last five years. The total tax levied is now \$713,359.56, which is an increase of \$154,898.81 during the same length of time. The bonded indebtedness is \$423,000 maturing from 1917 to 1935.

The value of Wapello county property, as estimated by the supervisors, is \$299,584.60. The court house is placed at \$175,000 with \$40,000 worth of furniture and equipment, the jail at \$42,689.40, the county home, \$70,000 for the buildings, \$49,200 for the land and \$16,795.20 for the personal property. Sunbrospe is added this year to the equipment making a \$5,000 item.

IOWA SUPREME COURT DECISIONS

Mary A. Miksch and Ella A. Hanly vs. Alexander Miksch, et al., appellants. Washington county. Judge J. F. Talbot. Action for partition of real estate. Affirmed. Opinion by Weaver.

Bertie Secor, administrator, appellant vs. James E. Silver, Linia county. Judge J. T. Moffit. Action on foreign judgment. Affirmed. Opinion by the court.

George E. Corneliuss vs. Ben Krommiga, appellant, Union county. Judge H. K. Evans. Action over real estate. Affirmed. Opinion by Weaver.

Isabel Smith, appellant vs. William E. Emith, Jasper county. Judge J. F. Talbot. Action for divorce. Affirmed. Opinion by Weaver.

Edmund Freidill, administrator, vs. Davenport & Muscatine Railway company, appellant. Muscatine county. Judge M. F. Donegan. Action for damages. Affirmed. Opinion by Weaver.

W. F. Main vs. H. M. Kick, appellant, Johnson county. Judge R. P. Howell. Action over real estate. Affirmed. Opinion by Weaver.

Charles E. Barr vs. Clinton Bridge works, appellant, Clinton county. Judge M. F. Donegan. Action to recover for services. Affirmed. Opinion by Weaver.

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Railroad Time Tables

C. M. & St. P. TRAINS.

No. Going Southwest Depart
25A—Southwest Limited 1:45 a. m.
A stub train will leave station for Junction at 1:45 a. m., returning arrive at station at 2:04 a. m.
93B—Local freight 7:00 a. m.

Going East, via Cut-off.
26A—Leave Junction 12:10 a. m.
A stub train will leave station for Junction at 11:40 p. m., returning arrive at station at 12:15 p. m.

92B—Local 7:45 a. m.
8A—Davenport, Chicago 5:17 p. m.

Marion Line, Going North.
4B—Ced. Rapids, Savanna, Chicago 9:30 a. m.
108B—Cedar Rapids, Marion 5:30 p. m.

Marion Line, Coming South.
103B—From Marion 10:15 a. m.
21B—From Marion 12:35 a. m.
97B—Local freight 4:00 p. m.

A—Daily.
B—Except Sunday.
3A—Kansas City local 10:40 a. m.
Local freights depart from and terminate Ottumwa Junction.

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BURLINGTON ROUTE C. B. & Q.

No. Going East Depart
12A—Chic. Dubuq, Quincy 1:00 a. m.
22A—Ar. from Des Moines 10:08 p. m.
6A—Chicago Limited 1:39 p. m.
212B—Ft. Mad. St. Louis 3:35 p. m.
4A—Chic. St. Louis, Qcy. 7:15 p. m.
2A—Chic. Peoria, R'k'd. 11:18 p. m.
178B—Ottumwa, Burlington 11:35 a. m.
18B—Otta to Burlington 6:30 a. m.
10A—Atlantic Coast Lim. 7:16 a. m.

Going West
5A—Omaha and Nebraska 1:19 a. m.
3A—Omaha, Ore. Calif. 7:27 a. m.
1A—Denver Express 12:21 a. m.
23A—Des Moines local 8:00 a. m.
218B—Ar. from Ft. Mad. 11:50 a. m.
179B—Peoria to Creston 1:55 p. m.
11B—Ar. from Burlington 8:50 p. m.
9A—Chicago to Denver 4:53 p. m.

A—Daily.
B—Except Sunday.
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KIOKU & DES MOINES RAILWAY

No. Going North Depart
471B—Des Moines, Omaha 6:15 p. m.
477B—From Keokuk and south 8:30 p. m.
473B—Des Moines, east and west 10:50 a. m.
475A—Des Moines, east, west and north 6:15 a. m.

Going South.
470B—Eldon and K. C. 11:33 a. m.
472B—Keokuk and south 3:30 p. m.
474A—Eldon and K. C. 10:50 p. m.
476B—Ottumwa, Keokuk 6:50 a. m.

A—Daily.
B—Except Sunday.
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All trains stop at freight house, at foot Union street.

WABASH RAILWAY.

No. Going South Depart
2A—Moberly, St. L. K. C. 7:50 a. m.
50B—Moberly and east 2:40 p. m.
70B—Local freight 3:00 a. m.

Coming North
61B—Moberly local 11:50 a. m.
8A—From Kansas City 7:10 p. m.
71B—Local freight 11:45 a. m.

A—Daily.
70B and 71B, daily except Monday.
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THE RANEY FUNERAL.

Fairfield, March 19.—The funeral of Mrs. J. L. Raney will be held this afternoon at the residence on West Adams street at three o'clock and will be in charge of Rev. A. H. Mosser of the First Presbyterian church. The interment will take place in Evergreen cemetery.

Mrs. Raney was one of the most highly esteemed women of Fairfield and her death is sincerely regretted but it has been known to her intimate

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friends for sometime that the end was near and it came Friday night. Mrs. Raney's maiden name was Mary McAlister and she was born in Fairfield on Jan. 22, 1861 and had spent her entire life here. She is survived by her husband and one son Fred.

FARM HOME BURNS.
Bonaaprie, March 19.—The frame house on the John Cresswell farm, eight miles northwest of town occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lincolnfelder and family caught fire from the chimney and burned about 11 o'clock Sunday. Most of the household goods was saved.



JEFF SAYS:

Saturday a collector called on feller fer a bill about a year old and when the feller flew up and sez, ain't ye willin' to give me a little time. The collector sez, "Yes, we're willin' to give ye time, but you seem to want us to give ye the goods, too."

BRINGING UP FATHER

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